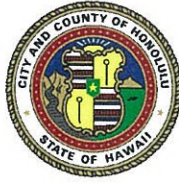


OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

530 SOUTH KING STREET, ROOM 300 • HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813
PHONE: (808) 768-4141 • FAX: (808) 768-4242 • INTERNET: www.honolulu.gov



KIRK CALDWELL
MAYOR

ROY K. AMEMIYA, JR.
MANAGING DIRECTOR
GEORGETTE T. DEEMER
DEPUTY MANAGING DIRECTOR

October 17, 2016

The Honorable Ernest Y. Martin
Chair and Presiding Officer
and Members
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

2016 OCT 18 AM 9:28
RECEIVED
CITY CLERK
C & C OF HONOLULU

Dear Chair Martin and Councilmembers:

Pursuant to Section 13-103(b) of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu, I hereby appoint, subject to confirmation by your Honorable Body, Justice Steven H. Levinson as a member of the Police Commission. Justice Levinson will succeed Ronald Taketa and serve for a term to expire on December 31, 2020. I would appreciate your favorable consideration of Justice Levinson's appointment and request adoption by the City Council in the most expedient manner possible.

I have enclosed Justice Levinson's personal information form for your review. For any general inquiries you may have regarding this appointment, please contact my executive assistant, Justin Gruenstein, at 768-6603.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Kirk Caldwell", is written over a horizontal line.

Kirk Caldwell
Mayor

Enclosure

cc: Justice Steven H. Levinson
Honolulu Police Department
Police Commission
Ethics Commission

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
MAYOR APPOINTMENT / BOARD OR COMMISSION MEMBER
NOMINATION FORM

1. Position Nominated to: Police Commission

2. Name: Steven H. Levinson
(First) (Middle) (Last)

3. Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes ☒ No ☐
Are you a resident of the City and County of Honolulu? Yes ☒ No ☐
If yes, how long 44 yrs
Are you a registered voter in the City and County of Honolulu? Yes ☒ No ☐

4. Political affiliation (Civil Service Commission and Liquor Commission nominees only) N/A

5. Occupation: Retired Associate Justice, Hawaii Supreme Court; attorney

6. Name and address of employer or firm:
Retired

7. Does your employer do any business with the City and County of Honolulu?
Yes ☐ No ☒ If yes, state the nature of business and approximate dollar amount in the last five years:
I am retired.

8. Do you or does any member of your immediate family hold office or own stock in any firm?
Yes ☒ No ☐

9. Does the firm do business with the City and County of Honolulu? Yes ☐ No ☒
If yes, provide details including the name(s) of the firm:
I own stock in many publicly traded entities; I have no knowledge that any of them does business with the City and County of Honolulu, although the possibility exists.

10. Do you have any part-time employment, professional activity, or financial interests other than those indicated in the previous question? Yes ☒ No ☐
If yes, provide details:
I am a 50% owner of a family-owned Subchapter S corporation, whose asset is a residence in Teton County, WY. I am a beneficiary of my late mother's trusts.

11. Do you foresee any possible conflict between your present work, financial investments, business transactions or any other activity which would be incompatible with the proper discharge of your official duties or hinder you from effectively carrying out the duties for which you have been appointed? Yes ☐ No ☒

12. Are any members of your family employed by the City and County of Honolulu or any attached agency? Yes ☐ No ☒ If yes, please specify the department and division:

13. Are there any incidents in your past that may jeopardize your nomination
Yes ☐ No ☒

14. Have you ever been convicted of a felony? If yes, provide details:

No

15. Education:

High School: Walnut Hills High School, Cincinnati, OH (1958-64)

College: Stanford University (1964-68); BA

Law School: University of Michigan (1969-71) ; JD

16. Provide a summary of major work experience for the last ten (10) years. Begin with your present job including military (attach additional sheets if necessary or resume):

2006 - 12/30/08: Associate Justice, Hawaii Supreme Court (retired since then)

17. Community activities, etc. (also list any service on any other board or commission Federal, State or County):

Board member, ACLU of Hawaii; former board member, Equality Hawaii; board member, TAG, The Actors' Group; Judge, Hawaii Speech League; former congregant, Temple Emanuel; congregant, Oahu Jewish Ohana

18. Have you ever been a member of a board or commission with the City and County of Honolulu?

Yes ☐ No ☒ If yes, provide name(s) of board/commission:

19. Will you be able to commit to the full term of this appointment? Yes ☒ No ☐

20. Will you be able to commit to meeting dates and times? Yes ☒ No ☐

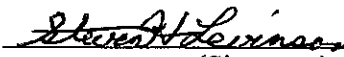
21. Are you regularly away from Honolulu? Yes ☐ No ☒ If yes, please explain:

22. Are you willing to make a confidential financial disclosure to the city Ethics Commission upon appointment and yearly thereafter? Yes ☒ No ☐

23. What do you understand to be the prime duties of your county appointment?

to be a member of the Honolulu Police Commission, as described in Section 6-1605 of the Charter of the C&C of Honolulu; exercise the powers and perform the duties and functions of the commission, as described in Section 6-1606 of the Charter, as well as those that may be set forth in any future amendments to the Charter

The above statements made by me are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and are made in good faith.


(Signature)

10/10/2016
(Date)

The completed form and any attachment(s) will be posted by the City Clerk and available on the City's DocuShare Website.

BIOGRAPHY - RETIRED ASSOCIATE JUSTICE STEVEN H. LEVINSON

Retired Associate Justice Steven H. Levinson was born and raised in Cincinnati, Ohio. He attended Stanford University (from which he graduated "with distinction" with a B.A. in Political Science) and the University of Michigan Law School (from which he received a J.D. in 1971).

Retired Justice Levinson's 44 years of legal experience include a one-year clerkship with the Hawai'i Supreme Court, seventeen years in private practice, three years as a circuit court judge (Criminal Division) of the Hawai'i First Circuit Court, and seventeen years as an Associate Justice of the Hawai'i Supreme Court, from which he retired at the end of 2008. During his tenure on the Court, he authored 271 published opinions, of which 231 were published opinions of the court, including Baehr v. Lewin (1993), which was the first appellate decision in American history to hold that a state's marriage laws were presumptively unconstitutional for discriminatorily prohibiting same sex couples from marrying. He also authored numerous opinions addressing the lawful limits of governmental intrusion into the private affairs of individuals, the legitimacy of police interrogations and searches and seizures, and other related subjects. He was the Court's liaison to the Hawai'i State Bar Association and the Hawai'i Justice Foundation and served as chair and member of various commissions and task forces pertaining to the Hawai'i Penal Code, the Code of Judicial Conduct, drug policy, and jury innovations. He was a member of the Board of Trustees of Temple Emanu-El for ten years and has been actively involved in the Hawai'i Speech League and the Center for Civic Education's "We the People" program. He received the 2006 Allies for Justice Award from the American Bar Association's Section on Individual Rights and Responsibilities and the National Lesbian and Gay Law Association, the 2010 Champions of Justice Award from the Hawai'i State Bar Association, and the 2013 Equality Hawaii Lifetime Achievement Award and Hawaii United for Marriage Advocacy Awards. He is presently a board member of the ACLU of Hawaii, serving on its executive, litigation, and legislation committees, and was a board member of Equality Hawaii, the state's largest LGBT advocacy organization, from 2010 through 2013. Since September 2014, he has been a member of the board of directors of The Actors' Group (TAG), a local community theatre company.

Office of the City Clerk
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
STATE OF HAWAII

Certificate


I, Glen Takahashi, City Clerk of the City & County of Honolulu, State of Hawaii do hereby certify that,

STEVEN H. LEVINSON

a resident of the City and County of Honolulu, State of Hawaii is a duly registered elector (voter) of the

Precinct 05 Representative District 23, State of Hawaii

Affidavit No. 0266394 Registration Date: 01/06/1972

Birth Date: 

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City and County of Honolulu to be
affixed this 12 October 2016.*

Signature Block

Signature of Elector



*Glen Takahashi, City Clerk
City and County of Honolulu
State of Hawaii*



RESOLUTION

RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF STEVEN H. LEVINSON TO SERVE ON THE POLICE COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

WHEREAS, Section 6-1605, Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu, 1973 ("RCH"), as amended, establishes a Police Commission consisting of seven members appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council; and

WHEREAS, the major duties of the Police Commission are:

- (1) Adopt such rules as it may consider necessary for the conduct of its business and review rules and regulations for the administration of the department;
- (2) Review the annual budget prepared by the Chief of Police and make recommendations to the Mayor;
- (3) Submit an annual report to the Mayor and the City Council;
- (4) Receive, consider and investigate charges brought by the public against the conduct of the department or any of its members and submit a written report of its findings to the Chief of Police;
- (5) Review and, if deemed necessary, make recommendations on the Police Chief's five-year plan and any update of the Chief's goals and objectives for the police department;
- (6) Compare at least annually the actual achievements of the police department against the goals and objectives of the five-year plan or latest update; and
- (7) Evaluate, at least annually, the performance of duties by the Chief of Police; and

WHEREAS, by Mayor's Letter, dated October 17, 2016, the Mayor has appointed Steven H. Levinson to the Police Commission; and

WHEREAS, if confirmed by the Council, Mr. Levinson will succeed Ronald I. Taketa whose term expired on December 31, 2015, and will serve for a term which expires on December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Section 13-103, RCH, requires an appointee to the Police Commission to be a registered voter of the City; and



CITY COUNCIL
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII

No. _____

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed Mr. Levinson's qualifications and character and finds that he qualifies to serve on the Police Commission; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that the appointment of Steven H. Levinson to the Police Commission for a term expiring on December 31, 2020 is hereby confirmed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council expresses its appreciation to Mr. Levinson for his commitment and willingness to actively participate in city government; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Chief of Police, the Chair of the Police Commission and Steven H. Levinson.

INTRODUCED BY:

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers